## **Department of Health**

TITLE: Program Assistant 2 (Disease Investigator)
PROGRAM: Center for Epidemiology and Infectious Disease

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 2145142.02

## **DUTIES & RESPONSIBILTIES:**

Assist the influenza nurse in epidemiological investigations, including interviewing and counseling of patients, contact tracing, and updating the Center's surveillance system for H1N1 swine influenza. Provide public health recommendations to patients and health care providers in need of assistance with H1N1 as part of HEALTH's comprehensive response to H1N1.

The funding for this position is determined by the needs, nature, and length of the RI Department of Health's response to the current H1N1 pandemic. This funding is limited to 07/30/10.

## **Minimum Qualifications:**

Education: Bachelors degree from a college of recognized standing. Preference will be given to applicants with a specialization in a public health discipline.

Experience: Such as may have been gained through employment in a position in the field of public health investigation for the purpose of detecting, preventing and controlling infectious diseases. Such experience may include: field investigations, case management interviews, collection of patient data, and excellent verbal communication skills.

<u>Or</u>: Any combination of education and relevant experience that shall be substantially similar to the above education and experience.

Candidates must have a valid driver's license and be willing to use a personal vehicle as needed.

## **COMPENSATION:**

Rate of Pay: \$19.00 per hour Hours: 35 hours per week